

AROUND THE GARDENS & PLAZA

Clifford Family Glad to Return After Vacation Full of Thrills

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Fortunate to return all in one piece from a three week vacation spent in and around New York, were the J. L. Cliffords, of 2822 Eldorado, and family. To begin with, it was Mrs. Clifford's first airplane flight, and one engine went out over Bryce Canyon. To make it even more nerve-racking it was the engine right outside her window.

However, the pilot maneuvered the plane around and returned to Las Vegas where they had a four hour stopover.

The family stayed with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. George Tolpher, when they arrived in Long Island.

Their second mishap occurred when they drove to Rhode Island to visit an aunt. Narrowly missing a head-on collision on the freeway, the family managed to escape via a slight detour with only a slight damage to automobile. The other car involved sped away.

Not to be daunted by fate's seeming frown, the Cliffords attempted a bus trip to Massachusetts. The bus driver lost his way, making the ordinarily short trip in a "cool" ten hours. Flying home to Torrance, the family arrived last Saturday. Don't be surprised if they shudder when you ask them how they enjoyed their vacation!

Steinhaus, of 2833 Sonoma, and their family, Janet, 13, and Glenn, 8.

Recently of Redwood Falls, Minn., the Steinhaus family vacationed in Southern California and liked it so well that they chose to make their home here. Janet is a freshman at Torrance High and Glenn is in the third grade. Steinhaus is employed at the National Supply Company.

A birthday party for the "toddlers" set in at a severe challenge to the nervous system, but Mrs. James Wood of 3033 Opal, survived the test. Erica celebrated her third birthday with her friends gathering in the back yard for games of ring-around-the-rosy and London bridge. Later, they enjoyed a festive circus cake, ice cream, and lemonade.

Those attending the young Miss Wood's party were Melinda and Teresa Gilbert, Kevin and Kathieen Momo, Bonnie and Robbie Pittinger, Janie and Jeri Cook, Cindy and Ricky Powers, Dana Garet, John Nippa, Richard Deimer and her brother, Steven, 5.

Enjoying a tasty barbecue dinner after an outing in Whittier were the Robert Wilsons, of 1004 Faymirth, and their children Kim, Bruce, Jeff, and Cindy. The Wilson family, along with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Olinger, of Mrs. Richard Manson. Their barbecue included hamburgers, steaming boston beans, tossed salad and strawberry, angel-food cake.

Late in the season vacationers, the James Woods, of 8033 Opal, spent a restful week end at Lake Gregory.

They enjoyed the swimming, boating, horseback riding and even squeezed in a trip to Santa Monica Village. Most appreciated part of the vacation to Mrs. Wood, as all women know, was the dining out part.

Learning to really "ham" it up as Mrs. Dolph D. Tuggles of 1121 Hickory. Her husband, a professor of radio and television theory at City College is encouraging her to become adept at sending and receiving the Morse Code.

She attends classes two nights a week and as soon as she "da" and "dits" at a speedy 13 words a minute she'll receive a novice class ticket. From there she'll progress to a general class. The Tuggles plan to attend the "Ham" convention in San Diego.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tolson, of 1322 Teri, attended a week end party at Lake Arrowhead, along with 20 other members of the Potluck Group, as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Barrington.

Too chilly to swim, the group enjoyed speed boating, Saturday night they celebrated the Barringtons' son's birthday with a surprise party.

Those attending from our neighborhood were the Robert Luicks and Robert Kirbys.

Cowboys decorated the birthday cake that helped Steven Lundblad, of 811 Cranbrook, celebrate his fifth birthday, Sunday. After an afternoon of enjoying the Kiddy Land rides, the children had chocolate-chip ice cream, punch, and chocolate cake. Attending were Randy Major, Mark Fawcett, Kris Wallace, Terry and Terry Bloomquist, and Pauline and Clinton Sutter.

Home from the hunt (and successfully, too) are Bart Tatum, of 1006 Kornblum, and his friend Al Berman. Driving up to the Sierras the men camped out, even slept in the snowy weather. But they arrived home intact, complete with a deer.

As one of the representatives of the Executive Board of the Los Angeles District Assembly of Delphian Chapters, Mrs. Allen Eysatt, of 804 Cerise, hosted at a tea for Delphian presidents from the Los Angeles District. The tea was held at the home of Mrs. Magur, of Hollywood, who resides in one of the first homes built by the renowned architect, Frank Lloyd Wright. Also attending were: Mrs. R. Beecher, of 1024 Felbar, as representative of Torrance Kappa chapter; and Mrs. J. Smith, one of the representatives of the executive board.

A baby shower co-hosted by Mrs. Phil Patten, of 905 Cranbrook and Mrs. Ray O'Connell, of 1014 E. 92nd, was held in honor of Mrs. Jerry Lundblad, of 911 Cranbrook.

A novel idea of a little coat hanger tree with paper scrolls (similar to birth certificates) was hanging on to each branch, was used to award prizes. Each guest chose a scroll and if it was blank they lost, but among the blank ones were two surprise presents—a door prize and a booby prize. Pink and blue ribbons were tied around each scroll.

For nut cups the ladies cleverly fashioned miniature flannel diapers, dipped in paraffin. Refreshments of a huge, party-ice-cream followed the games of charades. Those attending were Mrs. Roy Zhe, Thomas Fenton, Clyde Anderson, John Moore, Robert Major, Joe Carso, Les Fuller, and Mrs. C. Waller.

Betty Stroman, of 1014 Felbar, surprised her younger brother, Wyatt, with a birthday party celebrating his ninth year.

Big sister arranged everything—from a double layer cake, decorated with cowboys, cactus, nine-candles and (one for good luck) to the marble fudge ice cream, and soda. Paddle-ball prizes were awarded winners of the clothes-pin game and the pin-the-tail on the cat.

Guests included Robert Egan, Steve Fuller, Douglas and Mike Kintz, Dicky Season and brother, Gregg, two months, (who slept politely through the party) and sister, two-year-old Jackie.

Mrs. Carl Osterlind, of 2813 Sonoma, has a new co-leader to assist her with Girl Scout Troop 1293. Mrs. Fredrick Steiner will replace Mrs. E. Stroman, of 1014 Felbar. Mrs. Steiner is also co-leader of North Torrance Troop 1365.

Wednesday the first 1293 scout meeting was held at the Osterlind home.

Mrs. Kenneth Baker, of 999 Kornblum, and her children, Wynne, 6, and Marlan, 4, are on a three month trip to Australia. They first stopped over in the Fiji Islands and then traveled on to the mainland. Mrs. Baker is an Australian war-bride and making the trip home to attend the wedding of her niece.

Recently returning from a 12-day trip to Gilman, Colo., were the Hal Banbrooks, of 2833 Eldorado, children, Linda, 7, and Mark, 2, and friend, Lorine Garza. The family flew. Staying with parent, L. E. Hickman, they made sidetrips, did some sight seeing, visited relatives and friends, and even managed to squeeze in a four-day fishing trip. They walked off with 47 trout.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kelsey, of 808 Cerise, have just returned from a colorful trip taken to Colorado Springs. Interested in racing cars, the Kelseys made the trip especially to be on hand for the Pikes Peak Hill Climb. In the role of mechanic

for friend Joe Hunt's racing car, they won sixth place in a competition involving 30 contestants. Last year Hunt won first place. The race was not limited to any special type of engine; Hunt's engine was a "270 offy."

The Kelseys came back through Albuquerque and stopped over at Oldtown. Reminiscence of early Spanish times, the town dates back to the year 1670, suggestive of Spanish Dons and splendid fiestas. They dined at the world famous La Piciencia restaurant in Albuquerque, drove through the Grand Canyon area, visited Boulder Dam, and stopped for a short visit in Las Vegas on their return trip.

Hollypark Ready for WHRA Meet

Preparations for Western Harness Racing Association's fall trotting meeting have gone into high gear at Hollywood Park, where the 36-day season will get under way in approximately two weeks. Western Harness raises the curtain on the second half of its tenth year of racing at the beautiful Inglewood course Friday, Oct. 7.

Highlight of the fall meeting will be the inaugurations of the \$75,000 American Trotting Classic and the \$75,000 American Pacing Classic in addition to the regular full scale stakes programs of 14 added money events. The American Classic races, dubbed "The World Series of Harness Racing" will decide each year the world's champion harness horses of each gait. The American Trotting Classic is second in wealth only to the famed Hambletonian Stakes at Cazen, N. Y. The American Pacing Classic is the richest pacing event in harness history.

The nation's finest horses will be lured west for the American Classics all in quest of the championship mantle that will be assured them by a victory in the rich specials.

Included among the eligibles for the Trotting Classic are: S. A. Camp's great three-year-old winner of the Hambletonian Scott Frost; the smooth striding Kimberly Kid, whose 1:59 3/5 mile mark this year ranks as the fastest in the country; the great Fronto Don, richest harness horse in the world; and others including Sharp Note, Gene Mac, Jamie and Newport Star.

Fair Turf Meet Closes

With new wagering and attendance marks already in the records the Los Angeles County Fair race meeting draws to a close Saturday, with the \$20,000 added Southern California Handicap at a mile and one furlong serving as the feature attraction for the finale.

High weight and probable favorite for the Southern California Handicap is Jack McElroy's Six Fifteen, who captured the \$20,000 added Governor's Handicap at the recent meeting at the State Fair in Sacramento. Six Fifteen has been assigned 123 pounds by Racing Secretary Jack Glenfower, four more than Mr. and Mrs. Harry Richard's History Book.

Although 20 horses were nominated originally for the Southern California Handicap, three having been declared out of the race by their handlers prior to announcement of the weights.

Dark horse of the Southern California field is Rex C. Ellsworth's My Heroine, who already has two \$10,000 stakes victories to her credit this meeting.

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